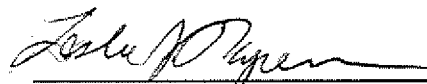


REMARKS

By the above amendment, claims 26 – 30 have been cancelled without prejudice in order to reduce initial filing fees, and no estoppel should be deemed to be associated with this amendment.

If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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